

Amendments to the Specification

Please delete the paragraph spanning lines 17-23 on page 6 of the specification and replace it with the following paragraph:

--Those skilled in the art can readily identify suitable materials useful as absorbent members and other support members. Thus, the devices of the present invention can be of any standard format known to those skilled in the art, including, for example, a lateral flow device ~~(as described in U.S. Patent 5,073,484 or U.S. Patent 5,654,162, both incorporated herein by reference)~~, a flow-through device (as described in U.S. Patent 4,727,019, incorporated herein by reference), or any modifications of such devices readily known or determined by those skilled in the art--